

## Core Skills Analysis

### Science

- The 4-year-old student learns about the life cycle of animals through the observation of the class pet.
- The activity teaches basic concepts of biology like what animals eat and how they grow.
- Through caring for the pet, the student grasps the importance of responsibility and caring for living creatures.
- The child gains an understanding of empathy and how animals have needs and feelings like people.

### Tips

To further enhance the learning experience, consider incorporating activities like drawing and labeling the parts of the class pet, discussing different types of pets and their needs, or even creating a simple 'pet care chart' to track the pet's daily care routine. Encourage the child to ask questions about the pet's behavior and explore books or videos about pets to deepen their understanding of animal care and welfare.

### Book Recommendations

- [A Pet for Fly Guy](#) by Tedd Arnold: A fun story about a boy and his pet fly that introduces basic pet care concepts in an entertaining way.
- [Harry the Dirty Dog](#) by Gene Zion: Follow Harry's adventures as he gets dirty and teaches children about the importance of cleanliness and grooming in pet care.
- [The Best Pet of All](#) by David LaRochelle: A whimsical tale about choosing the best pet, sparking discussions on pet preferences and responsibilities.